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March 17, 2005

## EMAIL & US MAIL

Mr. John J. Pringle, Jr., Esquire ELLIS LAWHORNE & SIMS, P.A. P. O. Box 2285 Columbia, SC 29202

Dear Mr. Pringle:

The Pleading which you filed on behalf of MCG Capital Corporation, IDS Telecom and IDS Telecom, LLC has been duly received and assigned Docket No. 2005-26-C. **Please check the enclosed Notice of Filing and Hearing for accuracy.** 

In order to proceed with the processing of this Docket, it will be necessary for you to accomplish the following:

Publish, at your own expense, on or before March 28, 2005, the enclosed Notice, in newspapers of general circulation, in the affected areas, one time and provide the undersigned Proof of Publication on or before April 18, 2005.

Failure to comply with the above on or before the dates indicated may result in the **DISMISSAL** of your pleading.

In the meantime, should you require additional information, please advise.

Sincerely yours,

**Docketing Department** 

**JMM** 

Enclosure

#### PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

### DOCKETING DEPARTMENT

## **NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING**

DOCKET NO. 2005-26-C

MCG Capital Corporation (Buyer), IDS Telcom Corporation (New IDS) and IDS Telecom, LLC (Old IDS) (together with Buyer and New IDS, Applicants) have filed with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) a Joint Application for authority to complete an assignment of assets and to grant authority to New IDS to provide local exchange and interexchange services and for alternative and flexible regulation. The Joint Application was filed pursuant to South Carolina Code Ann. Sections 58-9-280 and 58-9-310 and the rules and regulations of the Commission. Further, the Joint Application request such authority as may be necessary or required for New IDS (directly), and its ultimate indirect owner Buyer (through its wholly-owned portfolio investment company, Cleartel Communications, Inc.) to acquire the assets of Old IDS identified in the Application, including Old IDS's South Carolina certifications, its customer base, and all other assets associated with its telecommunications service operations. To the extent that the Commission determines that Old IDS's certificate cannot be assigned, Applicants request that the Commission grant New IDS certification to provide service in South Carolina as set forth in the Joint Application.

A copy of the Application is on file in the offices of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210 and is available from John J. Pringle, Jr., Esquire, ELLIS LAWHORNE & SIMS, P.A., P. O. Box 2285, Columbia, SC 29202.

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** a hearing on the above matter has been scheduled to begin at **2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 25, 2005**, before the Commission in the Commission's Hearing Room at 101 Executive Center Drive, Saluda Building, Columbia, South Carolina 29210.

**PLEASE BE ADVISED** that pursuant to South Carolina Code of Laws – Section 58-9-280, as amended, the Commission will invoke the 120-day period allowed for consideration of this matter.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, on or before **April 27, 2005** and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. *Please refer to Docket No. 2005-26-C*.

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify the Docketing Department in writing at the address below, and John J. Pringle, Jr., Esquire, at the above address in writing, on or before **April 27, 2005**, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. *Please refer to Docket No. 2005-26-C*.

Any person who wishes to be notified of any change in the hearing date, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department in writing at the address below on or before **April 27**, **2005.** *Please refer to Docket No. 2005-26-C*.

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:** Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission by dialing (803) 896-5113.

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